



General Assembly

Amendment

June Special Session, 2005

LCO No. **8414**

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Offered by:
REP. WARD, 86th Dist.

To: Senate Bill No. **2004**

File No.

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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND ACT."

1 Strike everything, including the enacting clause, and insert the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Resolved by this Assembly:

4 That the following be proposed as an amendment to the
5 Constitution of the State, which, when approved and adopted in the
6 manner provided by the Constitution, shall, to all intents and
7 purposes, become a part thereof:

8 Section 1. Article eighth of the constitution is amended by adding
9 the following section:

10 (NEW) Sec. 5. a. The teachers' retirement system shall be funded on
11 an actuarial reserve basis, in accordance with generally accepted
12 actuarial principles. Commencing July 1, 2010, and annually thereafter,
13 the General Assembly shall provide the teachers' retirement system
14 with not less than the amount certified as necessary for such funding

15 by the Teachers' Retirement Board, in accordance with such principles.
16 If the governor declares an emergency or the existence of extraordinary
17 circumstances, and at least three-fifths of the members of each house of
18 the General Assembly are in agreement, the General Assembly may
19 reduce the amount provided to the teachers' retirement system, but no
20 such reduction for any fiscal year may exceed fifteen per cent of the
21 amount certified by the Teachers' Retirement Board with respect to
22 such fiscal year.

23 b. The funds of the teachers' retirement system shall not be reduced
24 or used for any purpose other than the retirement and other benefits of
25 teachers, their survivors and beneficiaries.

26 RESOLVED: That the foregoing proposed amendment to the
27 Constitution be continued to the next session of the General Assembly
28 elected at the general election to be held on November 7, 2006, and
29 published with the laws passed at the present session, or be presented
30 to the electors at the general election to be held on November 7, 2006,
31 whichever the case may be, according to article sixth of the
32 amendments to the Constitution. The designation of said proposed
33 amendment to be used on the voting machine ballot labels and
34 absentee ballots at such election shall be "Shall the Constitution of the
35 State be amended to require full funding of the Connecticut teachers'
36 retirement system and use of the system's funds exclusively for the
37 benefit of its members?"."